In the Specification:

Please amend the Specification as shown below. Applicant respectfully submits that the proposed amendments are being provided to correct various informalities in the Specification, and that no new matter is being added.

Please replace paragraph **[0086]** with new paragraph **[0086]** as shown below.

[0086]   As seen in FIG. 5, application guard 310 includes an application guard interface 512 (referred to as interface 332 in FIG. 3A), coupled to an application 312, for requesting access to securable components. Application guard 310 also includes at least one authorization engine 316 for evaluating requests from application guard interface 512 as specified by local client security policy 318. The application guard 310 can further include an evaluator 516, an audit 518, a parser/type checker 514, and various plug-ins 522. Multiple authorization engines 316 can be used for added performance and reliability. Furthermore, application guard interface 512 can be located on a client computer, while authorization engine 316 and local client policy 318 can be located on client server 116.

Please replace paragraph **[0047]** with new paragraph **[0047]** as shown below:

[0047]   FIG. 1A is a block diagram of an exemplary network system 110, in accordance with the invention, illustrating one embodiment of network system 100 of FIG. 1. System 110 includes a policy manager server 112 connected via a network 114 to a client server 116.i (i = 1, 2, ..., or n). In the FIG. 1A embodiment, policy manager server 112 preferably includes a central processing unit (CPU) ~~118~~ 146, a read only memory (ROM) 120, a random access memory (RAM) 122, a non-volatile memory 124, an input device 126, and a display 128, all connected via a bus 130.